

## WOMAN KIDNAPPER IN PITTSBURG JAIL

Mystery of "Mrs. Boyle" Constantly Increasing.

MANY FACTS ARE SUPPRESSED

Boyle, charged with stealing Billy Whittle, is taken to Mercer, while woman in the case remains in Pittsburgh—This recalls her threat when she was first arrested.

Pittsburgh, March 26.—The Whittle kidnapping case to-day developed into perhaps more of a mystery than it has shown at any time yet. While James H. Boyle, the alleged kidnapper, was taken to Mercer this afternoon to be placed in jail there, Mrs. Boyle, or the woman who claims to be his wife, was left in the Pittsburgh jail. A mob of 500 people hooted and stormed around the jail doors when Boyle was brought out to-day.

It is apparent that not nearly all the facts in the case have been given the public. Attorney T. C. Cochran, of Sharon, personal counsel of Mr. Whittle, admitted before leaving with Boyle for Mercer this afternoon that the woman was well known to certain people in Sharon, but gave no plausible explanation as to why she is being held in the Pittsburgh jail.

**Crowd Hoots Kidnapper.**  
Boyle was taken to Mercer County on the 1 p. m. train handcuffed to Sheriff Chase, of that county. There was a large crowd outside the jail when Boyle and Chase appeared, and the alleged kidnapper was hooted unmercifully.

In her cell inside the jail Mrs. Boyle heard the hoots, and asked an attendant what it was all about. She was told that her husband was being taken to the Mercer jail.

"Why didn't they take me?" said Mrs. Boyle with some show of interest, but the attendant made no reply. A moment later the detective laughing at the woman ran through the corridors.

"I guess they don't want me up there just now," she said. As the woman when arrested in Cleveland is alleged to have said: "There will be hell in Sharon tonight." Pittsburgh is making great interest in this most mysterious woman who is being more mysteriously kept away from the Sharon vicinity.

**Objects to the Breakfast.**  
Mrs. Boyle raised a great row in jail this morning at breakfast time. When the attendant came to the wicket of her cell with the customary tin cup of black coffee and three slices of dry bread, Mrs. Boyle came with a smile. "Where's the rest of it?" she asked.

"This is the usual jail breakfast," was the reply.

"Well, never mind me, dear. I'll just send out and get my breakfast sent in from a hotel if you will only call a messenger for me like a good girl."

"I'll do no such thing. You'll eat this or nothing," said the attendant, slapping the breakfast down on the little shelf and passing along the corridor. Mrs. Boyle protested loudly and fearfully against being compelled to eat such junk, but finally fell to and cleaned up the entire breakfast offered.

**Great Crowd at Station.**  
Mercer, Pa., March 26.—The sheriff's party, with James H. Boyle, reached here at 4 o'clock this afternoon. There was a great crowd at the station and the prisoner, who had once worked his way out of the jail here, was jeered. He was hurried into one of the new stone cells.

There was something of a demonstration at Butler, Pa., when more than 1,000 persons were crowded around the depot and a man named Elmer Smith recognized Boyle as the man who had borrowed money from him a year ago. Smith intended to collect on the spot, but Boyle laughed at him.

**BOYLE A GOOD WORKMAN.**  
Former Employee of Alleged Kidnapper Praised Him.

South Bend, Ind., March 25.—C. H. Pavey, a contracting plumber, said to-day that James Boyle, the kidnapper, was employed by him for seven months as a bookkeeper, his wife being here with him.

"It was in June last," said Mr. Pavey, "that the Boyles came to South Bend. They obtained rooms in Vista avenue. One day a man, who later proved to be Boyle, dropped into my shop and asked for a job as a bookkeeper. I told him I had all the plumbers I needed at that time, but I could use him if he knew how to keep books. Boyle jumped at the opportunity. He kept his books in fine shape, and had no fault to find with him during his stay with me."

"After leaving here he went to Cleveland, presumably to join his brother in business. Since he went to Cleveland I have written a recommendation for him, and he wrote me that he was doing well, and that he and his wife were expecting to adopt a child."

**"MRS. BOYLE" IDENTIFIED.**  
Former Chicago Girl Planned and Executed the Kidnapping.

Chicago, March 26.—With the identification of Anna McDermott, a former Chicago girl, as the one who planned and executed the kidnapping of little Willie Whittle, it is now believed by the Chicago police that a complete solution of the Sharon, Pa., crime may be traced to the "take-prize-fight gang," the members of which made their headquarters here, but operated from coast to coast.

Central station detectives familiar with the ways of the persons who played such a prominent part in those fleeing games are searching Chicago, and important arrests may be made. With this development, it was announced at the McDermott home, 230 Cleveland avenue, that not one penny would be supplied by the young woman's father and mother in her fight to escape conviction and a sentence to the penitentiary.

Anna McDermott, known to Cleveland and Pittsburgh as "Mrs. James H. Boyle," is a daughter of a respected North Side citizen. The family is well known. Her uncle is a wealthy shipowner, and she has a brother-in-law, named Overmyer, living at Kobs, Ind., who is a grain buyer. She has also another brother-in-

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## AN OLDEST INHABITANT.



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### BENJAMIN W. REISS.

Clerk in the Adjutant General's Office of the War Department, has been recording secretary of the association of the Oldest Inhabitants for the last ten years.

He was born in Washington February 5, 1846, in a house which occupies the site at 1406 G street northwest. His father, Benjamin Reiss, came to the country from Germany and settled in Washington, becoming one of the most prominent music teachers of the city. He was a charter member of the Association of the Oldest Inhabitants.

As a boy, Mr. Reiss attended Gonzaga College, Emerson Institute, and took a short course at Mount St. Mary's College at Emmitsburg, Md. In 1865 he began to earn his own livelihood as a clerk in the music store of J. F. Ellis, and later became mail agent in the Post-office Department. In 1871 he entered the War Department as a clerk, and has been employed in that department ever since.

law named Halligan, who is a business man at Hoboken, Ind. But the wealth at the command of her relatives will not be used, it is said, in trying to save the wayward daughter from conviction.

For two years Anna was employed in the office of Dr. John G. Messing, 148 State street. When the prize-fight game flourished in Chicago Dr. Messing was a prominent promoter. In that way Anna met many of the gladiators of the ring. When she left the office it is declared that she did so because of an infatuation for a fight promoter who has often been mentioned in connection with the fake game.

For years the fake fight promoters have operated largely in small Pennsylvania towns near the Ohio State line and around Sharon. The police are now working on the theory that these fake fight operators, finding their schemes risky, have turned their attention to kidnapping.

### READY TO ARBITRATE.

**Nicaragua Willing to Settle Long-standing Emery Claim.**  
Nicaragua has asked the State Department to ascertain the amount of damages claimed by the George D. Emery company, the concern which has made the so-called Emery claim which caused the State Department to deliver an ultimatum to Nicaragua demanding immediate arbitration of the question.

The State Department promised to find out just how much the Emery company wants. This is an indication that Nicaragua is willing to compromise.

Nicaragua has also inquired whether in the event of arbitration, that government would be permitted to put in a counterclaim for damages. The Nicaraguan Minister was told that Nicaragua would naturally have this right.

### WEATHER CONDITIONS.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Washington, Friday, March 26, 1909.—A. The disturbance that moved the Middle Atlantic and New England States Thursday evening has advanced into the St. Lawrence Valley and a disturbance that appeared over the British North-west Territory Thursday has moved southward over the Upper Lake region. In the North Atlantic States rain or snow is reported from the Missouri Valley to the Great Lakes and a disturbance that appeared over the British North-west Territory Thursday has moved southward over the Upper Lake region.

During Saturday the Lake storm will advance over the St. Lawrence Valley, attended by showers and followed by heavy rain and snow showers from the Ohio Valley and the Great Lakes over New England and northern portions of the Middle Atlantic States. Sunday will be fair and cooler generally over the eastern portion of the country. Storm warnings are displayed on the California coast from Port Harford to San Diego. The winds along the New England and Middle Atlantic and South Atlantic coasts will be increased southerly on the Gulf coast moderate to brisk southerly, and on Lake Michigan brisk northwesterly.

Steamers departing Saturday for European ports will have increasing southerly winds and fair weather, followed by showers to the Grand Banks.

**Local Temperature.**  
Midnight, 37.2; 2 a. m., 37.1; 4 a. m., 37.1; 6 a. m., 37.1; 8 a. m., 37.1; 10 a. m., 40; 12 noon, 43; 2 p. m., 50; 4 p. m., 52; 6 p. m., 52; 8 p. m., 46; 10 p. m., 41; Maximum, 54; minimum, 36.

Temperature same date last year—Maximum, 75; minimum, 48.

**Temperatures in Other Cities.**  
Temperatures in other cities, together with the amount of rainfall, for the twelve hours ended at 8 p. m. yesterday, are as follows:

	Max.	Min.	8 p. m.	Rain.
Asheville, N. C.	56	32	50	...
Atlanta, Ga.	62	41	55	...
Atlantic City, N. J.	60	31	42	...
Bismarck, N. Dak.	33	28	32	7.
Butte, Mont.	42	28	34	7.
Buffalo, N. Y.	31	28	32	7.
Chicago, Ill.	56	32	41	0.10
Cincinnati, Ohio	56	34	52	...
Cleveland, Ohio	56	35	52	...
Davenport, Iowa	56	38	52	9.94
Denver, Colo.	56	38	52	...
Des Moines, Iowa	56	38	52	...
Galveston, Tex.	68	56	60	...
Helena, Mont.	49	24	40	...
Indianapolis, Ind.	56	34	52	...
Jacksonville, Fla.	61	44	62	...
Kansas City, Mo.	58	32	48	...
Little Rock, Ark.	56	34	52	...
Los Angeles, Cal.	62	32	55	0.01
Mammoth, Mich.	42	18	34	0.01
Memphis, Tenn.	56	34	52	...
New Orleans, La.	74	52	64	...
New York, N. Y.	40	34	38	7.
North Platte, Neb.	48	26	36	7.
Omaha, Neb.	52	34	44	7.
Pittsburgh, Pa.	41	26	44	...
Portland, Me.	50	32	36	...
Portland, Ore.	59	44	50	...
Salt Lake City, Utah	54	36	52	...
St. Louis, Mo.	74	34	60	...
St. Paul, Minn.	52	34	44	0.06
San Francisco, Cal.	62	46	58	...
Springfield, Ill.	51	32	48	...
Tacoma, Wash.	51	...	...	...

**Tide Table.**  
Tide—High tide, 12:26 a. m. and 12:30 p. m. Low tide, 6:30 a. m. and 7:24 p. m.  
Tomorrow—High tide, 1:32 a. m. and 1:38 p. m. Low tide, 7:38 a. m. and 8:25 p. m.

**Condition of the Water.**  
Special to The Washington Herald, Harris Ferry, W. Va., March 26.—Both rivers clear to-day.

## HOWLAND ATTACKS PINCHOT'S RECORD

Ohioan Says Chief Forester Advised Lumber Duty.

FEARS FOREST DESTRUCTION

Retention of Duty Will Cause American Foresters to Disappear First, He Declares in the House—Question of Existence of a Lumber Trust is Cause of Dispute Among Members.

Representative Howland, of Ohio, made a direct and caustic attack on Gifford Pinchot, the Chief Forester of the government, in discussing yesterday the lumber provision of the new tariff bill in the House yesterday.

Mr. Howland declared that after spending years in educating the lumber interests of the country in methods of conservation, Mr. Pinchot had written a letter advising the retention of the present duty on lumber. He said the Ways and Means Committee took a step in the right direction in reducing the tariff on lumber, but he added, the retention of any duty will hasten the destruction of the American forests.

"It is simply a question as to which shall disappear first, the American or the Canadian forests," said Mr. Howland, "and I favor the disappearance of the Canadian forests first. We take off the duty on lumber. It will bring about its result; if we leave it as it is, it will mean the early destruction of our forests."

**Discusses Schedules.**  
Representative Humphrey, of Washington, was the first member to take the floor. He discussed the lumber and shingle schedules, addressing himself in part to the number of Orientals employed in the industry in British Columbia.

The statement made by Chairman Payne, of the Committee on Ways and Means, that only 5 per cent of the labor in those industries was Oriental, Mr. Humphrey said, was misleading. Mr. Humphrey presented statistics showing that about 75 per cent of the employees of the shingle mills of British Columbia are Orientals. In Washington State, he said, very few Orientals are employed.

White labor, he said, is more productive than Oriental labor. He urged an increase in the duty on shingles to protect Washington shinglers against those of British Columbia.

Mr. Fordney, of Michigan, said that since all the schedules of the Payne bill were passed, he had been killed or seriously injured, when a street car, No. 3, north-bound from Mount Vernon, collided with a work train loaded with lumber. None of the girls was injured, however, and it is said that they were not even excited over the danger.

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## DR. REYBURN'S FUNERAL.

Services Will Be Private, and Interment in Oak Hill.

Funeral services for Dr. Robert Reyburn, who died Thursday night, will be held this morning at his late residence, 213 F street northwest. The Rev. Roland Cotton Smith, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, will officiate at the services, which will be private. Interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Memorial exercises were held yesterday in Rankin Hall, Howard University, in token of respect to Dr. Reyburn, who at the time of his death was dean of the medical school of that institution. Prof. W. Cook presided, and told of the physician's services to the medical department. The university will be closed to-day and a floral offering will be sent to the Reyburn home by the students and faculty.

## NEWS OF ALEXANDRIA

Fifty School Girls Escape Injury in Collision.

CAR AND WORK TRAIN CRASH

Motorman Kane Receives Slight Cut on Head, but No One Else Is Injured—Tracks Blocked for Only an Hour—Man Killed in Potomac Railroad Yards, Crushed Under Weight.

Alexandria News Agency, 902 King street, Alexandria, Va., authorized agents and carriers for The Washington Herald. The Herald will be delivered daily and Sunday to any address in Alexandria for 50 cents a month.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU, 902 King street, Alexandria, Va.

Alexandria, Va., March 26.—Fifty Philadelphia schoolgirls had a narrow escape this afternoon from being killed or seriously injured, when a street car, No. 3, north-bound from Mount Vernon, collided with a work train loaded with lumber. None of the girls was injured, however, and it is said that they were not even excited over the danger.

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